

Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the Supplementary Agreement amending the Agreement on Social Security between the United States of America and the Czech Republic; which was referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM—28) **Page S7159**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—275) **Page S7136**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 p.m. and adjourned at 7:01 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 7, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7172.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the situation in Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from General John F. Campbell, USA, Commander, United States Forces-Afghanistan, Department of Defense.

STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE AND ENERGY SECURITY

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the potential modernization of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve and related energy security issues, after receiving testimony from Ernest J. Moniz, Secretary of Energy; Admiral Dennis C. Blair, USN (Ret.), Commission on Energy and Geopolitics, Kevin Book, ClearView Energy Partners, LLC, and Sarah O. Ladislav, Center for Strategic and International Studies, all of Washington, D.C.; and Jason E. Bordoff, Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs

Center on Global Energy Policy, New York, New York.

U.S. ROLE AND STRATEGY IN MIDDLE EAST

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the United States role and strategy in the Middle East, focusing on Yemen and the countries of the Gulf Cooperation Council, after receiving testimony from Mary Beth Long, former Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, and Stephen A. Seche, The Arab Gulf States Institute in Washington, both of Washington, D.C.

NLRB JOINT EMPLOYER DECISION

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the National Labor Relations Board's joint employer decision, after receiving testimony from Ciara Stockeland, MODE, Fargo, North Dakota; Edward Martin, Tilson Home Corporation, Austin, Texas; Mark G. Kisicki, Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak and Stewart, P.C., Phoenix, Arizona; and Michael Rubin, Altshuler Berzon LLP, San Francisco, California.

REGULATION AND MINORITIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Oversight, Agency Action, Federal Rights and Federal Courts concluded a hearing to examine regulation and minorities, after receiving testimony from Michael Barrera, The Libre Institute, Kansas City, Missouri; Timothy Sandefur, Pacific Legal Foundation, Sacramento, California; William C. Scott, Tristatz, LLC, Mosses, Alabama; Sabina Loving, Loving Tax Services, Inc., Chicago, Illinois; and Amit Narang, Public Citizen, Aaron Mair, Sierra Club, and Harry C. Alford, National Black Chamber of Commerce, all of Washington, D.C.

HEALTH AND BENEFITS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine pending health and benefits legislation, including S. 717, to designate certain non-Department mental health care providers who treat members of the Armed Forces and veterans as providers who have particular knowledge relating to the provision of mental health care to members of the Armed Forces and veterans, S. 1676, to increase the number of graduate medical education positions treating veterans, to improve the compensation of health care providers, medical directors, and directors of Veterans Integrated Service Networks of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 1754, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make permanent the temporary increase in number of judges presiding

over the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, S. 1885, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of assistance and benefits to veterans who are homeless, at risk of becoming homeless, or occupying temporary housing, S. 2013, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into certain leases at the Department of Veterans Affairs West Los Angeles Campus in Los Angeles, California, and S. 2022, to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the amount of special pension for Medal of Honor recipients, after receiving testimony from Senators Donnelly, Feinstein, and Shaheen; Thomas Lynch, Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Health Clinical Operations, Veterans Health Administration; David B. Norris, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the

United States, Tracy, California; and Lauren Augustine, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, Louis Celli, Jr., The American Legion, and Elisha Harig-Blaine, National League of Cities, all of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Michael Herman Michaud, of Maine, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 3684–3695; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 463–465 were introduced. **Page H6835**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H6836–37**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1525, to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to make certain improvements to form 10-K and regulation S-K, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–279);

H.R. 1553, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to specify which smaller institutions may qualify for an 18-month examination cycle (H. Rept. 114–280);

H.R. 1839, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to exempt certain transactions involving purchases by accredited investors, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–281);

H.R. 2091, to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to clarify the ability to request consumer reports in certain cases to establish and enforce child support payments and awards (H. Rept. 114–282);

H.R. 3102, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to reform programs of the Transportation Security Administration, streamline transportation security regulations, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–283);

H.R. 3510, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop a cybersecurity strategy for the De-

partment of Homeland Security, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–284);

H.R. 2295, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to identify and designate National Energy Security Corridors for the construction of natural gas pipelines on Federal land, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–285);

H.R. 2288, to remove the use restrictions on certain land transferred to Rockingham County, Virginia, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–286);

H.R. 2358, to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to enhance the reliability of the electricity grid and reduce the threat of wildfires to and from electric transmission and distribution facilities on Federal lands by facilitating vegetation management on such lands, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–287, Part 1);

H. Res. 461, establishing a Select Investigative Panel of the Committee on Energy and Commerce (H. Rept. 114–288); and

H. Res. 462, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3192) to provide for a temporary safe harbor from the enforcement of integrated disclosure requirements for mortgage loan transactions under the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 and the Truth in Lending Act, and for other purposes, and providing for proceedings during the period from October 12, 2015, through October 19, 2015 (H. Rept. 114–289).

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